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SUBJECT: WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 161933

1. NAMES AND TITLES OF MEMBERS GON DELEGATION TO WORLD
POPULATION CONFERENCE FOLLOW:

HEAD DELEGATION -- MRS. SUSHILA THAPA, ASSISTANT MINISTER
FOR HEALTH. OTHER MEMBERS OF DELEGATION ARE: GOVINDA PRASAD
LOHANI, NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION; DR. BADRI RAJ PANDE,
PRESIDENT OF NEPAL JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION; GOKARNA DEV PANDE,
DEPUTY DIRECTOR FAMILY PLANNING PROJECT, MINISTRY OF HEALTH;
GOBARDHAN BIKRAM SHAH, FIRST SECRETARY, NEPALESE
EMBASSY, MOSCOW. ATTENDING AS OBSERVERS WILL BE AKHILESWAR
PRASAD SINGH, VICE PRESIDENT, NEPAL YOUTH ORGANIZATION,
AND BASU SHASHI, GENERAL SECRETARY, NEPAL FAMILY PLANNING
ASSOCIATION.

2. BORN IN 1929, MRS. THAPA HAS NO FORMAL EDUCATION, BUT SINCE
1948 HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN SOCIAL WORK IN NEPAL. SHE WAS FIRST
ELECTED TO NEPAL'S PANCHAYAT IN 1965, AND WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY
MINISTER OF HEALTH IN MARCH 1974. MRS. THAPA HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE
FIGHTER FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN NEPAL AND HAS BEEN MEMBER OF CENTRAL
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COMMITTEE OF NEPAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION FOR PAST FOUR YEARS.

MRS. THAPA SPEAKS FAIR ENGLISH, AND IS WELL TRAVELED HAVING VISITED USSR, EUROPE, AND VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN ASIA. SHE IS A WIDOW WITH TWO SONS. MRS. THAPA IS REGARDED AS NOT BEING ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN POLITICS, AND CONCENTRATES HER EFFORTS IN SOCIAL WORK.

3. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION YET ON VIEWS OR ATTITUDES NEPALESE DELEGATION CAN BE EXPECTED TO TAKE AT CONFERENCE. WE WILL ATTEMPT PROVIDE SUCH INFORMATION AT LATER DATE, IF IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

4. FOR ATTENTION AMBASSADOR BARNES: YOU PROBABLY WILL REMEMBER MRS. THAPA FROM YOUR DAYS IN KATHMANDU.
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